

PORTABILITY

Did you know you can move your assistance with you? This process is called Portability. The HA may limit moves, so contact your Housing Specialist for specifics if you wish to exercise your portability option.

Basic Facts about Portability

- The HA where you want to move may have different rules, policies and deadlines.
- There may be a different Fair Market Rent limit or payment standard.
- The new HA may have a different utility allowance that will affect the amount you pay for rent.
- A different size certificate or voucher may be issued to you.
- If you are a participant and move under portability and you are required by the HA in the new location to change your form of assistance, you are subject to the new HA's income limits.
- When you are first issued a voucher you are always subject to the income limits of the HA where you want to live.

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Our mission is to work with the community to provide decent, safe and affordable housing for eligible families and provide and promote self-sufficiency and economic independence for residents



Reminder: If you need to see your Specialist please call them to schedule an appointment as we don't allow walk-in appointments.

FSS PROGRAM

The Campbell County Department of Housing offers a program called the Family Self-Sufficiency Program. It is a voluntary program for individuals who receive Section 8 rental assistance. Once a contract of participation is signed the family will work intensively with the FSS Coordinator, Joseph Clevenger, to identify the barriers to their financial independence. The family will then be linked with community resources to assist in meeting the short term goals as steps to meeting the ultimate long term goal. Each participant is required to be enrolled in school, training or working. If not, weekly documentation is required to indicate they are attempting to do so. A quarterly meeting is required to review progress towards goals. The program is consumer driven and encourages families to utilize each other as support and resources. Once the individual is contracted for FSS participation, they become eligible for an Escrow Account. The money that CCDH is no longer paying in housing assistance will be placed in an interest bearing account. Once the family has met their goals, the money is paid to the family. Average monthly escrow is \$460.00. If you are interested in obtaining more information regarding our FSS Program please contact Joseph Clevenger, FSS Coordinator, at 859-261-5200.

Other Assistance Programs

WIC

WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition counseling and referrals to health and other social services to participants at no charge. WIC serves low-income pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women and infants and children up to age 5 who are at a nutrition risk.

Location: 12 East 5th Street, Newport, KY

Phone: (859) 431-1704

Food Stamps/EBT

The food stamp program helps people with little or no money buy enough food for healthy meals. It does this by providing people with food stamp benefits, which can be used to buy food at participating stores.

Location: 601 Washington, 4th Floor, Newport, KY

Phone: (859) 292-6700

Families and Children Medical Services

Location: 601 Washington, 4th Floor, Newport, KY

Phone: (859) 292-6700

Fiscal Court Assistance Program

Provides assistance with medical bills, prescriptions, eyeglasses, hearing aids and referrals to other agencies.

Location: 24 W. 4th Street, Newport

Phone: (859) 292-3838

WinterCare/HEAP

WinterCare is a Cinergy/ULHP sponsored program designed to assist those in need with their heating bills during the winter season. To apply for assistance contact the Northern Kentucky Community Action Commission at 1-800-456-3452.

**** Please remember to report any changes to your income, household composition, child care or medical deductions. If you have any of these changes you will need to come into our office and fill out a 10-day change form and provide proof of the change.**

Spring Classes at the Urban Learning Center

The Urban Learning Center is offering college classes for \$10 per course at neighborhood locations in Covington, Newport, and Dayton during the spring semester. The Urban Learning Center provides education and training opportunities for low-income urban residents of Northern KY. Some of the Spring 2006 classes offered are Introduction to Computers, Computer Fundamentals, Document Formatting and Word Processing, Computer Graphic Design, Legal Terminology, Medical Records Management, Anatomy and Physiology, Writing, English, Speech Communications, Math, Career Development, Psychology, Sociology, Human Nutrition, Early Childhood Education, and Strategies for Academic Success. Spring registration starts in December. Information/registration sessions are on Monday, December 5 at 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, December 6 at 1:00 and 6:30. These are being held at 212 Levasor Avenue, Covington, KY. Classes start Monday, January 9, 2006. For more info call 859-442-1601.



The Campbell County Department of Housing wishes you and your family a very happy holiday season.



Our offices will be closed on December 23, 26, 30 and January 2, 2006 for the holidays